

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Division Engineers

Jennifer Brandenburg, PE, State Road Maintenance Engineer

Robert Memory, State Utility Agent

FROM:

Meredith McDiarmid, PE WW

Work Zone Traffic Control Project Engineer

SUBJECT:

Encroachment Special Provision for upcoming Work Zone Qualifications and Training

Requirements Notification

Effective immediately, please include the following special provision in all encroachment agreements, including Blanket Agreements, as a notice of upcoming Work Zone Qualifications and Training Requirements:

NCDOT WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL QUALIFICATIONS AND TRAINING PROGRAM

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is in the process of developing a Work Zone Traffic Control Qualification & Training program that will begin its implementation in 2009. This program will require qualified and trained Work Zone Flaggers in every flagging operation (July 2009), qualified and trained Work Zone Traffic Control Installers on every traffic control installation (January 2010) and and qualified and trained Work Zone Traffic Control Supervisors on Significant Projects (July 2010). It is intended for the program to include anyone working within NCDOT Right of Way including work associated with NCDOT construction and encroachment agreements as well as all NCDOT operations.

Training for this certification will be provided by NCDOT approved training sources and/or private entities that have been pre-approved to train themselves. Additional information will be provided as this program progresses. If you have questions, contact visit our web site at www.ncdot.org/~wztc, or contact Meredith McDiarmid with NCDOT Work Zone Traffic Control Unit at (919) 250-4159 or mmcdiarmid@dot.state.nc.us.

Our intent with this program is to further increase the safety of the motoring public and workers by having them comply with higher standards of work zone traffic control qualifications and training. It is also the intent to have the burden of compliance placed solely on the encroaching party, not the NCDOT. We recommend this information be placed in such a manner so as to attract the attention of the encroachers. Please advise if you have questions or comments.

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